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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER  
Under Small Entity Status**

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Jennifer DoanArt Unit:  
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Invention: Fiberoptic Wavelength Combiner

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

**CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	NO. OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	10	MINUS	20	0	\$25	\$ 0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	2	MINUS	3	0	\$100	\$ 0.00

Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of 11/2/2004 to and through       , comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of:

one month (\$55.00)       three months (\$475.00)  
 two months (\$210.00)       four months (\$740.00)

**TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT**

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- Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is attached.
- Charge \$\_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account \_\_\_\_\_.
- No additional fee is required.

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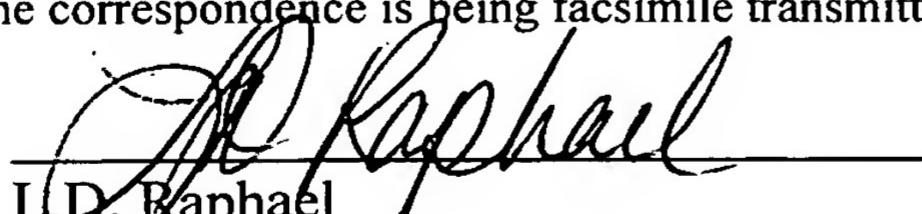
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Group Art Unit: 2874

For: FIBEROPTIC WAVELENGTH COMBINER

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Mail Stop Amendment

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated November 2, 2004, rejecting Claims 1-6 and 8-13 and objecting to Claims 7 and 14 in the above-identified patent application. Please amend the application as follows, wherein amendments to the claims begin on page 2 hereof and Remarks begin on page 5 hereof: